Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform.

Islam A. Siddiqui, of Virginia, to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

A routine list in the Foreign Service.

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—298) Page S9806, S9807, S9812

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:12 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Friday, September 25, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$9859.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 2,559 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

MISSILE DEFENSE IN EUROPE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's decision on missile defense in Europe, after receiving testimony from Michele A. Flournoy, Under Secretary for Policy, General James E. Cartwright, USMC, Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Lieutenant General Patrick J. O'Reilly, USA, Director, Missile Defense Agency, all of the Department of Defense.

EMERGENCY ECONOMIC STABILIZATION ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act, one year later, focusing on the status of efforts to address transparency and accountability issues, after receiving testimony from Herbert M. Allison, Jr., Assistant Secretary for Financial Stability, Neil Barofsky, Special Inspector General, Troubled Asset Relief Program, both of the Department of the Treasury; Gene L. Dodaro, Acting Comptroller General of the United States, Government Accountability Office; and Elizabeth Warren, Chairman, Congressional Oversight Panel.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee continued consideration of an original bill entitled, "America's Healthy Future Act of 2009", but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to the call and will meet again on Friday, September 25, 2009.

GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine the government, focusing on performance, including key management practices in an agency which managers' reported use of performance information has improved, looking at agencies with relatively low use of performance information and the factors that contribute to this condition, and review the role the President and Congress can play in promoting a results-oriented and collaborative culture in the federal government, after receiving testimony from Jeffrey D. Zients, Deputy Director for Management of the Office of Management and Budget; Bernice Steinhardt, Director, Strategic Issues, Government Accountability Office; W. Craig Fugate, Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security; Rhea Suh, Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management and Budget, Department of the Interior; Michelle Snyder, Acting Deputy Administrator and the Deputy Chief Operating Officer, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; and Paul L. Posner, George Mason University Public Administration Program, Clifton, Virginia.

U.S. DIPLOMATIC READINESS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government

Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine a review of United States diplomatic readiness, focusing on the staffing and foreign language challenges facing the foreign service, after receiving testimony from Nancy J. Powell, Director General, Foreign Service, Department of State; Jess T. Ford, Director, International Affairs and Trade, Government Accountability Office; and Ronald E. Neumann, American Academy of Diplomacy, and Susan Rockwell Johnson, American Foreign Service Association, both of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1670, to reform and modernize the limitations on exclusive rights relating to secondary trans-

missions of certain signals, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Paul Joseph Fishman, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey, Jenny A. Durkan, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Washington, Florence T. Nakakuni, to be United States Attorney for the District of Hawaii, Deborah K. R. Gilg, to be United States Attorney for the District of Nebraska, and Ignacia S. Moreno, of New York, to be Assistant Attorney General, all of the Department of Justice.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 3639–3648; and 8 resolutions, H. Res. 770–771, 773–778 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: Conference report on H.R. 2918, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–265) and

H. Res. 772, providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2918) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–266).

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Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Barrett (SC), wherein he resigned from the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, effective today.

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Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 770, electing a minority member to a standing committee: Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Representative McCaul. Page H9902

Providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules: The House agreed to H. Res. 766, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules, by a yea-and-nay vote of 235 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 735, after it was agreed to order the previous question without objection. Pages H9905–07 Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the fol-

lowing measure which was debated on Tuesday, September 22nd:

Expressing support for designation of September 23, 2009, as "National Job Corps Day": H. Con. Res. 163, to express support for designation of September 23, 2009, as "National Job Corps Day", by a 2/3 recorded vote of 413 ayes to 4 noes, Roll No. 736.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Medicare Premium Fairness Act: H.R. 3631, to amend title XVIII to provide for the application of a consistent Medicare part B premium for all Medicare beneficiaries in a budget neutral manner for 2010, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 406 yeas to 18 nays, Roll No. 737.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H9901.

Senate Referrals: S. Con. Res. 41 was referred to the Committee on House Administration. Page H9960

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H9906–07, H9907, H9915. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 4:08 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DOD—SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Defense Acquisition Reform Panel held a hearing on DOD Supply Chain Management: Can the Department Identify and